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House Resolution No. 4582

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of six wondrous decades has passed since Ted Korte lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Loretta Behlmann, during a solemn ceremony on November 11, 1944, at St. Clement Catholic Church; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Ted and Loretta Korte have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Wayne and Pam Korte, Jerome and Diana Korte, Vernon and Katie Korte, and Marie Korte; eleven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, now retired, Ted Korte has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working as a farmer and realtor and being active in many community and civic organizations in and around Bowling Green, including the Knights of Columbus; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Loretta Korte has further distinguished herself as a member of the Ladies Solidarity and as an active volunteer with the Hope Center, Meals On Wheels, and many other community affairs; and

Whereas, during their sixty years together, Ted and Loretta Korte have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Korte, of Bowling Green, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on November 14, 2004, at St. Clement Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus Hall:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ted and Loretta Korte and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Ted Korte.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4582, adopted December 2, 2004.